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In re the Application of:	)	Group Art Unit: 1764
Robert G. Graham	)	
Serial Number: 10/657,307	)	Examiner: Neckel
Filed: September 8, 2003	)	
Title: HEAT EXCHANGERS WITH	)	Response to a Restriction
NOVEL BALL JOINTS AND	)	Requirement
ASSEMBLIES AND PROCESSES	)	
USING SUCH HEAT	)	
EXCHANGERS	)	
Attorney Docket: MSH – 261	)	October 3, 2006

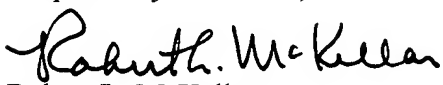
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In response to the Office Action mailed on September 27, 2006, containing a restriction requirement, the Applicant notes that the examiner has restricted the claims to Group I, claims 1 to 7; Group II, claims 8 to 30 and 41; Group III, claims 31 to 36, and Group IV, claims 37 to 40.

Applicant elects Group III, claims 31 to 36 drawn to a system for manufacturing carbon black, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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